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Dear Parties to the Docket:

Docket No. E-01345A-08-0172

As you know, Commission Staff has suggested exempting low-income customers from any base rate increase and any increase associated with APS's power supply adjustor, as we recently did under a settlement agreement for Tucson Electric Power. It would help my evaluation of Staff's proposal if I had a better understanding of the electric consumption patterns of APS's low-income customers. Accordingly, I request that Staff and APS file information in the docket answering the following questions:

During the summer months of 2008—

1. What was APS's average number of low-income customers each month?

Re: Proposed Exemption of Low-Income Customers from Rate Increases;

- 2. What was the average and median usage (kWh/month) for these customers?
- 3. For the ten highest use low-income customers, what was the average and median usage?
- 4. For the ten lowest use low-income customers, what was the average and median usage?

During the winter months of 2008—

- 1. What was APS's average number of low-income customers each month?
- 2. What was the average and median usage (kWh/month) for these customers?
- 3. For the ten highest use low-income customers, what was the average and median usage?
- 4. For the ten lowest use low-income customers, what was the average and median usage?

Thank you in advance for helping gain a better understanding of Staff's proposal.

Sincerely,

Commissioner Gary Pierce

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